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is bein mailin	attention g filed a g date c	n of the Examiner the documents list	ed on the	§§ 1.56 and 1.97(c), Applicant brings e attached PTO Form 1449. This IDS e undersigned's knowledge, before the ce, or another action that closes				
		The fee of \$180.00 set forth in § 1.1	7(p) is i	ncluded herein; or				
		Applicant submits that each item of cited in any communication from a application not more than three more	foreign p	patent office in a counterpart foreign				
_	<u>Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(d)</u> : Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(d), Applicant gs to the attention of the Examiner the documents listed on the attached PTO Form 1449. IDS is being filed after the events recited in § 1.97(c) but before payment of the issue fee.							
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	Applicant submits that each item of information contained in this IDS was first cited in any communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this IDS.
o the attention	237 C.F.R. § 1.97(i): Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(i), Applicant brings in of the Examiner the documents listed on the attached PTO Form 1449. This IDS after the events recited in § 1.97(d). Applicant requests that the IDS be placed in
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冈 Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the listed documents and evidence that consideration by making appropriate notations on the attached form. As for any document listed on the accompanying PTO-1449 that is in a language other than English, relevance can be understood from an enclosed English abstract or at least partial translation or from mention in the specification or in a search report for a corresponding application.

This submission does not represent that a search has been made or that no better art exists and does not constitute an admission that any of the listed documents are material or constitute "prior art." If it should be determined that any of the listed documents do not constitute "prior art" under United States law, Applicant reserve the right to present to the Office the relevant facts and law regarding the appropriate status of such documents.

Applicant further reserves the right to take appropriate action to establish the patentability of the disclosed invention over the listed documents, should any of the documents be applied against the claims of the present application.

Except for issue fees payable under 37 C.F.R. § 1.18, the Commissioner is hereby authorized by this paper to charge any additional fees during the entire pendency of this Application, including fees due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required and including any required extension of time fees, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0573. This paragraph is intended to be a CONSTRUCTIVE PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(3).

Respectfully submitted,

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